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OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

## Who can apply for the European School of Soft Tissue Sarcoma Surgery programme?

You can apply if you

- Are an active Surgical Oncologist with a preferential interest in Soft Tissue Sarcoma seeking advanced and structured training in the field
- Are a surgical oncology fellow with a preferential interest in Soft Tissue Sarcoma
- Have completed a general surgery residency and basic surgical oncology training and/or show a continued dedication to surgical oncology in your clinical practice
- Are involved or have solid plans to get involved in an established or new Sarcoma Program
- You speak English (or the local language of the center you are going to visit) fluently



# EUROPEAN SCHOOL OF SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA SURGERY

For further information, please go to [www.essoweb.org](http://www.essoweb.org) or to [www.ctos.org](http://www.ctos.org).

# PROGRAMME

The European School of Soft Tissue Sarcoma Surgery (ESSTSS) is a joint venture between the European Society of Surgical Oncology (ESSO), the Connective Tissue Oncology Society (CTOS) and different European reference centers specialised in the treatment of soft tissue sarcoma.

## We aim at

- Providing high quality, structured, basic and advanced training in surgical approach to soft tissue sarcoma
- Certifying proficient knowledge of participants in the scientific basis and clinical practice of soft tissue sarcoma care, specially multidisciplinary decision-making and surgical management.

## Participating reference centers

- Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori, Milan, Italy
- Institut Curie, Paris, France
- Royal Marsden Hospital, London, United Kingdom
- Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Nederlands Kanker Instituut, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- University Hospital Birmingham, Birmingham, United Kingdom



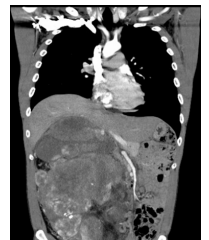
The ESSTSS programme is spread over two years and covers the following mandatory educational activities:

### Clinical training in at least two of the programme participating reference centers (2 to 6 months in each of them) including

- Direct participation in the execution of Retroperitoneal Sarcoma surgical procedures
- Direct participation in the execution of limb and truncal STS surgical procedures
- Direct participation in the execution of GIST surgical procedures
- Participation and attendance to ad hoc multidisciplinary conferences
- Presence in in-hospital postoperative follow-up (highly encouraged although not mandatory)

### Attendance to the following events:

- At least one CTOS Annual Meeting
- Esurge
- ESMO Sarcoma & GIST Conference
- At least one ESSO Congress, sarcoma track



### Research projects

Formulation and elaboration of at least 2 research projects under the supervision of an established program recognised by ESSTSS to be presented at a congress and submitted to publication at a peer-reviewed journal. One of these projects will become the final thesis.

A tutor/mentor will be assigned to each candidate for guidance, tutoring and planning of the participant's training activities. The tutor will also be responsible for the tutoring of the research projects to be carried out by the participant and will certify the successful completion of the training activities by the participant.